

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece ~~(1) having, comprising~~
—an elongate handpiece body (2)
~~—which has at its~~ having a rearward end with a connection element for connection with a flexible supply line,
~~—and has at its said handpiece having a~~ forward end with a light emission element (3) of a light permeable material for ~~the illumination of the~~ illuminating a treatment site,
~~—and has in the said~~ light emission element (3) having an outlet opening ~~(15)~~ for a fluid medium ~~such as water or air or spray,~~
the light emission element (3) forming a forward region of the functional handpiece ~~(1)~~ and being releasably connected ~~with~~ to the remaining region of the functional handpiece ~~(1)~~, and the light emission element (3) having a plug-in fitting ~~(6a)~~ for the light emission element (3),
~~characterised in that, wherein~~
the light emission element (3) is connected ~~with~~ to the remaining region of the functional handpiece ~~(1)~~ by means of a latching device ~~(6b)~~,
the latching device ~~(6b)~~ having a latching nose ~~(6d)~~ directly or indirectly arranged on the light emission element (3), which can spring in radially inwardly and can self-actingly spring out behind a latching edge ~~(6e)~~ on the plug-in fitting ~~(6a)~~.
2. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 1,
~~characterised in that, wherein~~ for release, the latching ~~noise~~ nose ~~(6d)~~ can be sprung in through an externally accessible hole ~~(6g)~~ in the remaining region of the functional handpiece.

3. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece ~~(1) having~~ comprising
—an elongate handpiece body ~~(2) having~~
—~~which has at its~~ a rearward end with a connection element for connection ~~with~~ to a flexible supply line, and
—~~and has at its~~ a forward end with a light emission element ~~(3)~~ of a light permeable material for ~~the illumination of the~~ illuminating a treatment site,
—~~and has in the~~ the light emission element ~~(3)~~ having an opening ~~(15)~~ for a fluid medium ~~such as water or air or spray,~~
the light emission element ~~(3)~~ forming a forward region of the functional handpiece ~~(1)~~ and being releasably connected ~~with~~ to the remaining region of the functional handpiece ~~(1)~~ by means of a plug-in fitting ~~(6a)~~ having a latching device ~~(6b)~~,
~~and~~ the latching device ~~(6b)~~ having a latching nose ~~(6d)~~ arranged directly or indirectly on the light emission element ~~(3)~~,
~~characterised in that, wherein~~
the latching nose ~~(6d)~~ can self-actingly spring out into its latching position behind a latching edge ~~(6e)~~ on the plug-in fitting ~~(6a)~~, and for release is externally accessible through a hole ~~(6d)~~ in the remaining region.

4. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 1,
~~characterised in that, wherein the~~ an outer surface of the light emission element ~~(3)~~ and an outer surface of the remaining region of the functional handpiece ~~(1)~~ adjoining thereon steplessly transition into one another ~~steplessly~~.

5. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that, there stands~~ comprising a plug-in pin standing up rearwardly from the light emission element (3) ~~a, said plug-in pin (3b) which sits~~ sitting in a plug-in recess (3a) in the adjoining remaining region of the functional handpiece (1).

6. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the light emission element (3) bears on the remaining region with a step surface (3e) tapering the plug-in pin (3b).

7. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that,~~ wherein the latching nose (6d) is arranged on a rearwardly upstanding spring arm (3b).

8. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that,~~ wherein the remaining region is formed by means of cannula (8) which is releasably connected with a grip part (7) ~~preferably by means of a quick-release connection.~~

9. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 8, ~~characterised in that,~~ wherein the cannula is curved or angled to ~~the~~ a side of the functional handpiece.

10. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 8, ~~characterised in that,~~ wherein the cannula (8) is mounted rotatably around ~~the~~ a longitudinal axis of the functional handpiece (1).

11. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 10, ~~characterised in that,~~ wherein the cannula (8) is connected by means of a plug-in/turn coupling.

12. (Currently Amended) Functional handpiece according to claim 11, ~~characterised in that,~~ comprising at least one or more media lines (14, 14a, 14b) pass line passing through a hollow cylindrical dividing joint (16) of the plug-in/turn coupling in a Z-form ~~and/or~~ or at least one light conductor (36) ~~passes~~ passing axially through the plug-in/turn coupling and ~~extends~~ extending to the light emission element (3).

13. (Currently Amended) Cannula (8) for a functional handpiece (1) having a cannula jacket (18), ~~having at its~~ with rearward end and forward ends, a cannula base (19) at the rearward end and ~~at its forward end~~ an opening (15) at the forward end, ~~there being~~ arranged to the cannula base (19) a connection device part arranged at the cannula base for ~~the connection of~~ connecting the cannula (8) with a grip part (7) of the handpiece (1), and at least one media line ~~extends~~ extending through the cannula base (19) to the opening (15),
~~characterised in that,~~ wherein

the cannula base (19) and the cannula jacket (18) are formed in two parts and the cannula base (19) is forwardly extended with a support arm (19a) which forms a transversely directed support between ~~these~~ the two parts at a forwardly directed spacing (a) from the cannula base (19).

14. (Currently Amended) Cannula according to claim 13, ~~characterised in that,~~ wherein the cannula base (19) and the support arm (19a) are connected with one another by

means of a plug-in connection having a plug-in recess (19e) and a plug-in pin engaging therein.

15. (Currently Amended) Cannula according to claim 13, ~~characterised in that,~~ wherein the support arm (19a) is formed in an angled shape with a foot section (19b) and a laterally offset wall (19e).

16. (Currently Amended) Cannula according to claim 15, ~~characterised in that,~~ ~~there extend~~ comprising at least one medium line or light conductor extending through the hollow chamber of the angled shape ~~in each case one or more medium lines and/or light conductors (36a, 36b).~~

17. (New) Functional handpiece of claim 1, wherein said fluid medium is water, air, or spray.

18. (New) Functional handpiece of claim 3, wherein said fluid medium is water, air, or spray.

19. (New) Functional handpiece according to claim 8, wherein said cannula is releasably connected with the grip part by means of a quick-release connection.